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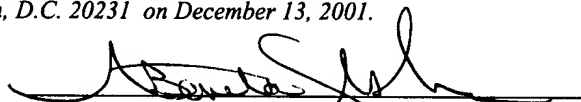
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

S I R :

In compliance with the duty of disclosure according to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, Applicant presents herein prior art references which are believed at this time to be relevant to the subject matter of the instant patent application. A copy of the references, which are listed in the annexed PTO-1449 (equivalent) form, are enclosed, together with a copy of an English Abstract, where available.

These enclosed references were cited in an International Search Report mailed on November 20, 2001 and performed by the European Patent Office (copy enclosed).

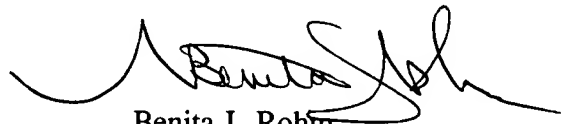
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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the issuance of a first Office Action for the application. Further, pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), Applicant certifies that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the present Information Disclosure Statement. Accordingly, no fee is necessary.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner examine the present application, allow the claims, and pass the application for issue. If the Examiner believes that the prosecution of this case can be expedited by a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated hereinbelow.

Respectfully submitted,



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